

b Match the words from the list to definitions 1–11.

In the UK

boarding school degree head nursery school
primary school private school pupils
secondary school state school students term

1 Children in school.

pupils

2 A school for children aged four to eleven.

3 The teacher in charge of a school.

4 A school controlled by the government.

5 An official document that students gain by successfully completing a course at university.

6 A school that parents pay for.

7 A period of time that the school year is divided into.

8 A school that children live at while they're studying.

9 A school for children aged from about two to five.

10 People who are studying at school or university.

11 A school for children aged from eleven to eighteen.

c Complete the sentences.

In the US

1 Very young children often go to kindergarten.

2 Children start e sch when they're six.

3 Schoolchildren are divided by age group into gr.

4 The school year is divided into s.

5 After middle school, students go on to h sch.

6 Students finish school in tw gr.

7 When they leave school, some students go to c to continue their education.

d Complete the texts with the past simple form of the verbs from the list.

be-expelled be punished cheat let make
misbehave (not) be allowed to



At my secondary school, discipline was very strict. Students who behaved badly ¹were expelled so very few students ² in class. We ³ talk during lessons, and the teacher ⁴ us stand up every time another teacher came into the classroom. We had to wear a uniform, and we ⁵ if we wore something different. We had to study a lot, and nobody ⁶ in exams. In the final year, the teachers weren't as strict with us, and they ⁷ us leave school during the lunch break.

fail pass revise take



I was very nervous before my final exams at university. I ⁸ for several weeks, and I didn't go out at all. I ⁹ eight exams, and I was very relieved when I had finished. In the end, I ¹⁰ all of them, but my friends weren't so lucky. They ¹¹ some of the exams, so they had to do them again.